



Confederated Tribes and Bands
of the Yakama Nation

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Child Care & Development Fund

Yakama Nation
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Director
Office of Child Care
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Washington, DC 20201

Dear OCC Director:

This letter describes how The Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation plans to use the Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) awarded under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA). We understand that this description will be used for the purpose of informing the Office of Child Care, Administration for Children and Families and Congress how our Lead Agency anticipates using the funds to support the child care needs in our jurisdiction.

We plan to use CRRSA funds for activities in the following categories:

1. Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic:

- The Yakama Nation Child Care and Development Fund Program plans to assist providers who are not participating in our subsidy system prior to the pandemic by providing quality improvement materials. For example, distribution of care packages for cleaning and sanitation that includes facemask and cleaning supplies. In addition, we will collaborate with our culture and language department to develop age appropriate culture kits.

2. Other:

- The Yakama Nation Child Care and Development Fund Program plans to increase the supply and availability of care in our service area by submitting an application for construction of a new childcare facility. We are currently conducting pre-application activities to determine location, size, and estimated operating cost to meet the July 1, 2021 deadline.

The Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation will amend our CCDF plan as a result of activities implemented under CRRSA funding not currently described in the plan, within 60 days of implementation.



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Sincerely,

/s/

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Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

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